

after 5 o'clock Major Louis Werner telephoned the Baltimore police to let Tate go, that he was not mixed up in the robbery, and that what he thought he knew about it on Monday had been investigated and thrown aside as worthless.

How It All Happened.
It happened that J. Klotz, who has been living around Granite, who is a stonecutter by trade and who is now employed by L. J. Smith and Company, engaged a room at Tate's home in South Sycamore Street last week. He carried his trunk and the tools used by stonecutters. But he left there for reasons which are rather unique and which gave the officers more cause for laughter than alarm. Early Monday Tate called on Postmaster Allan with a mysterious story about the mysterious Klotz. Inspectors grabbed at every straw on Monday, but they saw that Sycamore Street had no connection with the robbery. Klotz kept at his work, the detectives and the inspectors kept at theirs. Tate went to Baltimore to visit his sister, then drank croquet after being on a big spree, and instantly there was word of Klotz. Mr. Allan and Major Werner and Mr. Scherer knew that he was not a robber—that he had got mixed up as Klotz—so they ordered his release. But Tate gave part of the town a jolt and newsboys flung his name upon the winds long after the Baltimore police, crestfallen, had let him go. Tate didn't know any more about the robbery than Eddie Fay knows about the old-time catfish. But while the spasm lasted it was fierce.

Arrested in Baltimore.
Baltimore, Md., March 31.—Post-office inspectors, secret service men and local detectives for a time today believed they had made an important capture in connection with the recent robbery of the Richmond post-office. On a tip that O. B. Tate, of Richmond, was here and probably knew something of the robbery, the man was hunted up at the residence of a relative. Before the arrival of the officers, however, Tate had attempted suicide, taking a quantity of croquet.

He was closely questioned by Inspector Hooten, Captain Wright, of the United States Secret Service, and other officers, and his replies were so contradictory that he was finally placed under arrest and taken to police headquarters. There the questioning was continued and Tate told a story of domestic trouble that, together with information concerning him and the robbery that has been obtained from other cities, convinced the officers that he was not implicated in the crime, and he was later released from custody. Tate's attempt upon his own life was frustrated by prompt action by physicians.

Harris Known in West.
Denver, Col., March 31.—Denver detectives claim the distinction of having first arrested Richard Harris, alias "Little Dick," now under arrest in New York under the name of Frank Chester, accused of robbing the post-office at Richmond.
Harris, it is said, was first arrested in Denver, on November 8, 1909. Harris several years before was said to be a member of the West-McDermott gang that cracked two safes in the office of the Denver Evening Company and secured \$1,250 in gold.
West and McDermott were arrested after a revolver battle with officers, during which Harris escaped.

300,000 MINERS IN COAL FIELDS LAY DOWN TOOLS

(Continued From First Page.)

It is now only a question of the miners and operators sitting down together and talking over business.
In Eastern Ohio it is reported to us that the largest companies are ready to sign the contract we formulated at our recent meeting in Cincinnati. In Indiana and the Hoosier district of Ohio we will reach a settlement next week. There will possibly be more difficulty in Western Pennsylvania and Illinois, where the powder and shot fire question is involved.

75,000 Miners Stop Work.
St. Louis, March 31.—Nineteen hundred coal mines in Illinois closed this afternoon, and 75,000 miners stopped work. The mines will be closed until a new wage scale is signed, the old agreement expiring at 5 o'clock today.

When the whistles blew at the end of the day shift, the miners walked out with their implements.
The mines will be closed for probably sixty days and possibly for longer, according to statements of members of the operators' committee.

O. L. Garrison, member of the operators' committee, says the operators are willing to grant an increase in wages, but will not pay the shot-firing, and it is understood on this latter point that negotiations may fail.

Although a meeting of the joint scale committee of the Illinois miners and the operators is called for Monday in Chicago, members of the operators' committee are not hopeful of an immediate settlement.
The miners' officials will meet Tuesday in Springfield.

The miners, under the contract which expired last night, earned \$2.50 to \$3 a day of eight hours. They demand an increase of 10 cents a ton. They also ask the operators to pay the expenses of the shot-firing. The operators say that if they grant the demands it will mean an increase in expenses of \$14,000,000 annually, which the public eventually must pay.
No famine in coal is predicted for the immediate future.

Settlement in Sight.
Terre Haute, Ind., March 31.—Eighteen thousand miners employed in the bituminous coal districts of Indiana will strike at midnight to-night. The

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"We have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla for a spring tonic and as a blood purifier. Last spring I was not well at all. When I went to bed I was tired and nervous and could not sleep. In the morning I would feel tired and tired; my mother got a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, which I took. I felt like a new person when I had finished that bottle. We always have some of Hood's medicines in the house."—Hilvey Roselle, Marinette, Wis.

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MEN & BOYS' OUTFITTERS

convention of the United Mine Workers, District No. 11, which began here today, adjourned at 5 o'clock this evening without agreeing upon a wage scale to supplant the old agreement which expires with the month of March.

Phi H. Penna, secretary of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators' Association, announced tonight that the mine owners will meet the miners in joint convention at Terre Haute next Wednesday for the purpose of arriving at an agreement which will permit resumption of work in the Indiana mines. It is not believed among labor leaders here that the strike will be long-lived.

Men Leave Quietly.

Kansas City, Mo., March 31.—Approximately 35,000 union coal miners quit work in the Southwestern field, composed of the States of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, today.

The men went out quietly. They were ordered from the miners' headquarters at Pittsburg, Kan., yesterday to quit. When the operators learned of this move last night they requested the men to remove their tools upon leaving the shafts today. This was done.

Engineers, firemen and pump men alone remain at work.

Both miners and operators predict a long and determined fight.

Out in Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., March 31.—Union coal miners of Western Kentucky quit work to-night pending an effort of their representatives and mine owners to reach a wage agreement for the next two years. The miners ask a 6 cent increase.

Quit in Iowa.

Des Moines, Ia., March 31.—Sixteen thousand union coal miners in Iowa will be idle for an indefinite period as a result of a suspension of work ordered by the operators of the Iowa district convention of the United Mine Workers of America. No coal will be mined in the State until the settlement of the new wage scale for the biennial period beginning today. Negotiations for the new wage scale will be opened at a joint conference of miners and operators, which will be held in Des Moines, April 11.

30,000 Quit at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 31.—The night shift of the 40,000 union miners in the Pittsburgh district, the bituminous coal fields put aside their picks late tonight and will "lay off" until the operators come to an agreement with the union officials on a wage increase and a demand for cheap powder.

Francis Feehan, president of the union in this district, announced to-night that he had arranged for a conference with the operators tomorrow and he was confident that at least a temporary agreement would be reported so that work at the mines might be resumed by Monday. A longer shut down, however, has been provided for by large consumers of coal.

Disorders were reported since the suspension of the work at the mines to-night.

SEEK TO END STRIKE

Carmen and Company Still Trying to Get Together.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 31.—Following the arrival here today of John Mitchell, the well-known labor leader, several conferences were held in the city, with a view to an adjustment of the strike against the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company.

At a late hour to-night, the leaders of the Carmen and Company and the Rapid Transit Company united in the statement that the situation is unchanged.

Head of Shakers Dead.

Sabbath Day Lake, Me., March 31.—Sister Aurelia G. Mace, head of the Shaker community here, died last night, aged eighty. Sister Aurelia was the author of several books and many poems.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia and North Carolina—Fair Friday, cooler in the latter part of the day; Saturday cooler; light, variable winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

S. A. C. observations	58
Humidity	76
Wind, direction	S. W.
Wind, velocity	5
Weather	P. cloudy
12 noon temperature	78
3 P. M. temperature	84
Minimum temperature up to 5	57
Mean temperature	70
Normal temperature	52
Excess in temperature yesterday	18
Excess in temperature since March 1	245
Accum. excess in temperature since January 1	290
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1	.68
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since January 1	10.5

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.
(At 8 P. M., Eastern Standard Time.)

Place	Ther. H. T.	Weather.
Pittsburg	48	Clear
Butte	46	Clear
Washington	62	Cloudy
Pittsburg	58	Rain
Wilmington	68	Cloudy
Charlotte	76	Cloudy
Asheville	70	Clear
Jacksonville	70	Clear
Tampa	72	Clear
Albany	78	P. cloudy
Mobile	70	Clear
Savannah	80	Clear
Kaleigh	80	Clear
Key West	72	Clear
Jupiter	72	P. cloudy
Charleston	66	Clear
New Orleans	70	Rain
Norfolk	68	Cloudy
Hatteras	66	Clear
Kansas City	62	Clear
Cincinnati	68	Rain
Vicksburg	60	Cloudy
Memphis	60	Rain

MINIATURE ALMANAC.
April 1, 1910.

Sun rises	5:57	HIGH TIDE.
Sun sets	6:31	Morning
Moon rises	12:00	Evening

Robbers and Man Who Set Trap to Catch Him



EDDIE FAY.

SERIOUS TROUBLE IN BREW FOR SLEMP

(Continued From First Page.)

nating it "the pie counter," one may well understand how some of the old line Republicans feel about modern conditions within their party.

Great Change Coming.

Over in Scott county there will be a great change in the political complexion. This is a farming county, and the farmers know the nominee. It is absolutely unnecessary and superfluous to say they like him. Factionalism has disappeared. The bitter feelings of only a few years ago have passed away. Utter lack of organization in recent years has been in the main responsible for the continuous Democratic defeats in Scott. Losing time and again, the Democrats have taken but little interest in matters political, and literally hundreds of men have neglected to qualify themselves for suffrage. Renewed hope has awakened them. Were it not repetition of a tale that has been often told in the past few days, I would tell of the first that has been rehearsed by the nomination of Henry C. Stuart. There, too, are Republicans who are "out of politics," but as Rindyard Kilgling remarks, "That's another story."

REPAIRS TO MARKET

Extensive Improvements Authorized by Council Committee.

Bids were called for extensive improvements to the First Market by the Council Committee on Markets last night. On resumption of a subcommittee, which has recently gone over the property with the Building Inspector, the following work has been authorized: Repair to gutter and paint roof of entire market; work to be done under a two-year guarantee; erect six new fish stalls; paint outside of all stalls in butcher market; provide occupants sign an agreement to paint the inside at the same time at their own expense; paint all inside wood work in meat market; repair cement walls at Main Street entrance, replacing wooden base boards with concrete, and removing present brick arch at Franklin Street entrance of meat market.

The repairs are estimated to cost from \$1,000 to \$1,200, and bids are to be opened at a special meeting to be held April 11. At that meeting the question of renting stalls in the new Second Market House under the Blues' Armory will be taken up.

Anti-Saloon League Meets.

Atlanta, Ga., March 31.—Dr. J. B. Gambrill, of Dallas, Tex., was the principal speaker to-night at the opening session of the annual convention of the Southern Anti-Saloon League. About 150 delegates, representing every State in the South, are present. The convention will be in daily session until Monday.

No Danger of Strike.

Washington, D. C., March 31.—There is no danger of a strike of any department of the Southern Railway, which is now discussing agreements with several branches of its employees, according to information obtained from a responsible source to-day.

The discussion of wages and conditions of employment between the road and the telegraphers, it was said, was progressing amicably, with every prospect of an agreement being reached soon. Both the representatives of the railroad and the telegraphers are now engaged in collecting data preparatory to a meeting to be held here within a day or two.

The railroad also is discussing wage and labor agreements with its maintenance of way employees and shopmen, and it was learned to-day that there was nothing in the way to prevent a satisfactory adjustment.

Demands Refused.

Cleveland, O., March 31.—Following the example of the Lake Shore Railroad, the Lake Erie and Western to-day refused definitely the demands of their trainmen and conductors for an increase in salary. The committee representing the men will meet here tomorrow to consider the advisability of following the action of the Lake Shore men and ordering a strike vote taken.

Eruption Increases.

Catania, March 31.—The eruption of Mt. Etna increased in intensity to-day. The lava is flowing in the direction of Borello at the rate of twelve feet an hour.



FRANK CHESTER.

toastmaster of the occasion, and on his right sat Congressman Slemp, and to his left National Republican Committeeman Alvah H. Martin. Among those who spoke during the evening were Messrs. Slemp and Martin, L. P. Summers, of Abingdon; S. Harris Hoge, of Roanoke; George N. Wise, of Newport News; D. Lawrence Groner, of H. Bumble and A. B. Seidner, of Norfolk; General Stith Bolling, of Petersburg; George L. Hart, of Roanoke; John G. Luce, of Richmond; Pat H. McCall, of Lumburg.

Mayor James G. Riddick was the first speaker, his task being to welcome the visitors to the city.

BURGLAR DOES WANTON MURDER

Springfield, Mass., March 31.—His demand for money having been ignored, a masked burglar, who had entered the drawing-room of the residence of Mrs. Sarah J. Dow, on Round Hill, in the northern part of the city, this evening, shot and killed Miss Martha B. Blackstone, thirty-three years old, a public school teacher, and probably fatally wounded Miss Harriet B. Dow, a fellow teacher. Miss Blackstone was shot through the heart as she ran screaming into an adjacent room. Miss Dow's skull was fractured and bleeding. She was rescued to in an effort to save her life. The murderer escaped through the back door of the house.

With Miss Dow and Miss Blackstone in the dining-room were the former's mother and sister.

The murder was a most wanton one. Mrs. Dow, her two daughters and Miss Blackstone, who was a guest, were seated in the living room of the home at a round table solving a puzzle. The first intimation they had

MARTIN AND SLEMP GUESTS OF HONOR

Norfolk County Republican Organization Gives Brilliant Banquet.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Norfolk, Va., March 31.—Amidst scenes of enthusiasm, Congressman Bascom Slemp, of the Ninth District of Virginia, was cheered on to victory against stalwart Democrat, Henry C. Stuart, and National Republican Committeeman Alvah H. Martin was hoisted as the Republican candidate for Congress in the Second District by the party hosts of Tidewater Virginia at the high political banquet at the Monticello Hotel to-night.

These two incidents were the overshadowing features of the Slemp-Martin dinner, given by the Eastern Virginia Republicans as a testimonial of their appreciation of the present leadership of the Republicans in this State. An evocation was given Mr. Slemp and Mr. Martin.

Major C. L. Wright, of Norfolk, was toastmaster, and no sooner had the 200 persons finished the "dining and wining" part of the program, than there was a demand for the speakers. The crowd did not want to hear any more but Mr. Slemp and Mr. Martin, and Major Wright satisfied them. He first introduced Mr. Slemp. He said the purpose of the banquet was to express the gratitude of the Republican party of the State to the present State chairman and the present national committeeman for their party services. His introduction was brief.

A brilliant gathering. Over 200 guests, including Mayor James G. Riddick, of Norfolk, and other prominent Democrats, friends of the two men honored, were in attendance. Practically every congressional district in the State was represented by one or more Republican leaders.

The arrival in the city early this morning from Roanoke of Secretary George L. Hart, of the Republican State Central Committee, was followed shortly before noon by the arrival from Washington of Representative Slemp and others from the Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Tenth Districts. Other guests have been coming in all day, and by to-night Republicans from Lee to Accomack had arrived to be guests of Norfolk, Portsmouth and Norfolk county organizations, under whose auspices the banquet was given.

The arrangements for the banquet were elaborate. The table was arranged in the form of a great horseshoe, and in the center was the excellent orchestra, led by Professor Swink. A profusion of flowers, cut and potted, with candelabra, softly aglow with myriads of dainty colored candles, made a fairy-like scene that greeted the guests.

Major Clinton H. Wright acted as

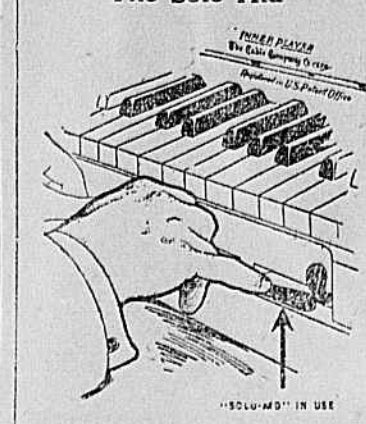
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of an intruder was a demand for money from the dining-room, just in the rear. They looked up to see a masked man in the dark doorway, threatening them with a revolver. Mrs. Dow retained her composure and replied:

"We have no money," but Miss Blackstone, in flight, jumped to her feet and ran screaming into a reception-room to the right of the living room. The burglar said:

"If you want to be killed, keep on screaming," and fired as he spoke, the bullet entering Miss Blackstone's left breast. Death followed instantly. The burglar paused to see his victim fall before he turned the revolver on the group, shooting Miss Harriet Dow in the head. He then ran to the front door, leaped over the trunk lines and disappeared. The police have no clue to his identity.

Both Miss Blackstone and Miss Dow were teachers in the Jefferson Avenue School.

Marine Workers Strike.

New York, April 1.—A white light swung at midnight from the roof of the Battery Park Building, at the south end of Manhattan Island, and two whistles—one long and one short—from the whistles of a chartered tug, notified the masters and pilots of New York harbor that a strike of the American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots is on this morning against four trunk lines and one manufacturing company operating marine services.

About 150 pilots, as many masters and half that number of tugs are involved in the walkout.

News of Manchester

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, 1103 Hull Street.

Colored Voters for Union.

Resolved, That the colored voters and taxpayers of Manchester, in mass meeting assembled, have decided that it is to the best interests of the citizens of Manchester to endorse the appointment of a committee to consider consolidation and to lodge their support.

(Signed) "W. H. HATCHER, Chairman."

"S. W. JOHNSON, Secretary."

The meeting last night under the auspices of the consolidation League was well attended, and those colored citizens present seemed to be thoroughly in accord with the speaker's views.

Charles L. Page as a lawyer was ignorant of the business proposition of consolidation. He declared that the appointment of a committee to consider consolidation with Richmond had been bitterly opposed, and that only the Business Men's Association had made it possible.

Mr. Dunford was of the opinion that Richmond's showing was as good as any city of its size in the colony. The speaker read a letter from E. C. Ladd and from the Retail Merchants' Association of Richmond, which viewed consolidation as good business enterprise for Richmond and also as an advantage for Manchester. Manchester's trouble, he declared, was her insufficiency of capital, and he thought her Council could have done no more with the funds at its disposal than it has done.

That Richmond's smallest ward, Marshall Ward, was larger than Manchester itself and had a real estate valuation of \$3,514,000, against \$3,130,000 for Manchester, he cited as a matter of record.

"Manchester will have the same identical representation in the Common Council as Richmond as any other ward of Richmond, and also the same representation on other boards," he said. He further explained that Manchester people had nothing to do with the assessment of taxes, and that it was the duty of State officers.

One colored citizen wanted to be informed about redress from Richmond in case of violation of the contract. Mr. Dunford explained that at length and cited Mr. Pollard's opinion that it was "binding and irrevocable in favor of the public."

He further demonstrated that 75 per cent of the items suggested by the colored citizens had been embodied in the ordinance.

T. W. Moore said it was more. Other speakers gave strong evidence why consolidation should be effected.

The funeral of Ruby, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry May, who died at 5:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the residence of her mother, 211 Twelfth Street, will take place at 4 o'clock this afternoon from the residence. Interment will be in Maury Cemetery.

The Street Committee met last night in the Court chamber to transact business of more or less importance. The Finance Committee of the City Assembly will meet to-night at 5 o'clock.

"We cordially invite each kind friend our Birthday Party to attend. We're just seventeen, so you can see, Pennies seventeen will be the fee. But if you wish to give us more, Make it twenty, an even score."

The Women's Sewing Circle of Stockton Street Baptist Church will hold an entertainment at Mrs. Andrews', 1101 Decatur Street, to-night.

There will be a meeting of the Man-

this city, died here yesterday after a lingering illness. She was a daughter of the late F. W. Atkinson, of Blue-God, W. Va. She is survived by a daughter, two years old, and her husband.

Funeral of J. Blankenship.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Pocahontas, Va., March 31.—The remains of J. Blankenship, who was killed in the mines of the Upland Coal and Coke Company, at Elk Horn, W. Va., Tuesday, were brought here, and the funeral was held at the Methodist Church, being conducted by Rev. J. W. Helvey, of Elk Horn, W. Va., assisted by Rev. A. B. Hunter, of this place.

Funeral of Mrs. Heiler.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Rosbury, Va., March 31.—The remains of Mrs. J. A. Heiler, who died in Richmond at a hospital, where she had been undergoing treatment, were brought here Tuesday, and the funeral was held at the family residence. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Harris, and interment was made in the cemetery at Cross Roads.

Mrs. Josephine E. Watson.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Charlottesville, Va., March 31.—Mrs. Josephine E. Watson, aged sixty-nine years, wife of John D. Watson, died at 8:30 o'clock this morning. She was born in Lancaster county, Va. The family removed to Baltimore, and in 1865 she was married to Mr. Watson in May, 1892, being his second wife. She was a sister of Dr. Wm. E. Norris, of this city, and of Mrs. Mary Copeland, of Baltimore.

Mrs. Nellie Ellen Burns.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg, Va., March 31.—Mrs. Nellie Ellen Burns, aged seventy-one years, died at a hospital, where she had been undergoing treatment, at her home, 254 Main Street. Mrs. Burns was survived by a son, E. R. Burns, with whom she lived, and two daughters, a sister, John R. Harvey, George A. Harvey and Mrs. Mattie Thomas, of Stapleton.

Rev. Carter Page.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg, Va., March 31.—News has been received here of the death of Rev. Carter Page, which occurred recently at his home at Brandy Station, Culpeper county. He was seventy years of age, and was born in Powhatan county. He was the son of Colonel Thomas Page, and served throughout the war in the Confederate Army, and married Miss Nannie Gliddings, of Loudoun, who, with one daughter, survives. He was rector of the Episcopal Church at Brandy Station.

DEATHS

BOYDEN.—Died, Wednesday night, at the residence of his mother, 923 West Marshall Street, F. BOYDEN. Funeral from the residence THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON at 4 o'clock.

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